

## Message Text

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R 121740Z DEC 73  
FM AMEMBASSY REYKJAVIK  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4181  
INFO AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN  
AMEMBASSY LONDON  
AMEMBASSY OSLO  
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NISRA KEFLAVIK

UNCLAS REYKJAVIK 1511

LONDON PASS AMBASSADOR IRVING

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: MARR IC NATO  
SUBJECT: IDF RETENTION ISSUE: FONMIN COMMENTS ON NATO MINISTERIAL

REF: REYKJAVIK 1502

1. FOLLOWING HIS RETURN DEC 11 FROM NATO MINISTERIAL MEETING,  
FONMIN AGUSTSSON WAS ASKED BY PRESS WHETHER HE HAD BEEN URGED BY  
NATO TO MAKE NEW AGREEMENT WITH USG ON IDF RETENTION. HE  
REPLIED, "NO, I DID NOT COME UNDER ANY GREAT PRESSURE THERE. SOME  
PEOPLE EXPRESSED HOPES THAT TALKS CONCERNING REVISION OF THE  
DEFENSE AGREEMENT WOULD BE CONCLUDED AND AN AGREEMENT REACHED  
BUT I WANT TO STRESS THAT I DID NOT GO TO BRUSSELS TO MAKE ANY  
AGREEMENTS. I GAVE A SPEECH IN WHICH I EXPLAINED OUR POSITION  
IN THE SAME MANNER AS I EXPLAINED IT IN THE ALTHING SOME TIME AGO.  
OTHERWISE, I WAS NOT IN THE SPOTLIGHT THERE."

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2. AGUSTSSON DID NOT ATTEMPT TO CORRECT THE DISTORTION OF HIS

REMARKS AT BRUSSELS WHICH APPEARED IN LOCAL PAPER HERE YESTERDAY  
(SEE REFTEL). MARTIN

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